

**REMARKS**

The section "IN THE CLAIMS" is submitted in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, and in particular, indication is made therein that claims 1 - 10 are canceled and that claims 11 - 19 remain pending in the application. Accordingly, a complete listing of the claims is present and the amendment is in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.121.

Applicants respectfully submit that the above-captioned patent application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner determine that any further action is necessary to place this application into better form, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned representative at the number listed below.

In the event that this paper is not considered timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Applicants believe that no fees are due as a result of this submission. Nevertheless, in the event of any variance between the fees determined by Applicants and those determined by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, please charge any such variance to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-2394.

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